



# Monthly Updates from End Hep C SF

## *Building a San Francisco Free of Hepatitis C*

Highlights from our work and community in January 2024

### Treatment Access Workgroup Highlights (Jan 9)



1. End Hep C SF have been working to engage MAT clinic leads about hep C testing, linkage to care, and treatment. Current efforts are focusing on Bayview Hunters Point Foundation. Barriers at MAT clinics are attributed to service cost, reimbursement rate and staff capacity.
2. Brief update on the implementation of Health Access Point (HAP) services. Staff from SFDPH's CHEP branch will provide additional updates in the coming months.
3. Review and further discussion on our process of identifying HCV clinic champions at various HAPs and community clinics. Before COVID all San Francisco Health Network clinics had hep C champions. Since then there hasn't been a concerted effort to bring hep C services back. Discussed forming a small subgroup to work to review list of current clinic champions.

**Next meeting: February 13, 11am-12pm**

### Policy & Advocacy Workgroup Meeting Highlights (Jan 9)



1. Local Updates - The Mayor has announced 10% departmental cuts for this year and next year. First to be cut is unfilled positions which really affects SFDPH. No new programs will be considered. EHCSF will focus on non-fiscal advocacy, building on successes with SFDPH leadership and focusing on collaborating with other coalitions to make sure hep C is still included.
2. State policy and advocacy.

**Next meeting: April 9, 1-2pm**

**Full meeting notes are available in our shared Google Drive or by request.  
Join our working groups or our mailing list by sending a request to [info@endhepcsf.org](mailto:info@endhepcsf.org)**

## Coordinating Committee Meeting Highlights

No meeting this month



**Next meeting: February 5, 10-11.30am**

## HCV Prevention, Testing & Linkage Workgroup Highlights (Jan 11)



1. Brief discussion of the San Francisco HIV Frontline Organizing Group listserv. This is a useful resource for training and networking events, resource and information sharing, and professional development opportunities. To sign up send an email request to [sfhivworkers@gmail.com](mailto:sfhivworkers@gmail.com) or fill out the form [here](#).
2. Brainstorm: International Network on Health and Hepatitis in Substance Users (INHSU) recently worked with End Hep C SF (EHCSF) and SF Department of Public Health (SFDPH) to hold a one-day symposium which was led by INHSU - using a preset agenda and slide decks - with a portion of it being focused on local work. We discussed what went well and what could be improved.

**Next meeting: February 8, 10-11.30am**

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*Information on each of the City's Health Access Points (HAPs) hubs and hours can be found [here](#).*

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## Community Research & Data Stewardship Workgroup Highlights

No meeting this month.



**Next meeting: February 26, 3-4.30pm**